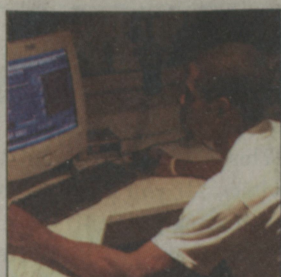


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Political journalist Dionne commences PACE anniversary



By Vanessa Junkin
Editor-in-Chief

Disappointed by the fact that SU students didn't care much about politics, Dr. Francis Kane and Dr.

Harry Basehart formed Salisbury University's Institute for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement (PACE).

Ten years later, PACE is bringing E.J. Dionne Jr., a columnist for The Washington Post, to the Great Hall of Holloway Hall to discuss "The New Generation: How They Will Change American Politics." His keynote speech will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 16 at 7 p.m. and it's the start of PACE's 10th anniversary programs for fall 2009.

PACE began as an organization that hoped to increase civic engagement among students, said Kane. He added that PACE has kept the same core mission over time and always keeps the University mission in mind also. PACE has continued to have faculty-student research teams and through the years the organization has become more involved in the curriculum and has been able to schedule prominent political speakers.

"We feel that we've been able to impact the student life here to the extent that we're making civic engagement more aware, more visible, something that students want to do. And in that way, we also make the University a better citizen in the community, too," he said.

One reason Dionne was chosen to speak at this event was because his

book, "Why Americans Hate Politics," was influential in the founding of PACE. Dionne's book made Kane notice that students may have been turned off from politics because they saw just two sides with rigid beliefs. He added that "Why Americans Hate Politics" showed that more people may be interested if things were done differently.

Kane explained that he and Basehart used this thought to help create PACE as a non-partisan, non-ideological organization that schedules speakers from both political sides.

"We want a conversation; we want a dialogue to happen," Kane said in regards to choosing speakers for PACE programs.

Dionne noted that people don't always have to choose one side versus another — sometimes an opinion can be a little of both.

"Here's a man who is one of the top political journalists in the country. He's well thought of on both sides," Kane said about Dionne.

Along with The Washington Post, Dionne has been involved with other media including Meet the Press, This Week, National Public Radio and The New York Times. A senior fellow at the Brookings Institution, Dionne is also a professor at Georgetown University.

Dionne described the most rewarding part of journalism as an opportunity to explore the country and world, think about ideas from both sides and also as a chance to talk to interesting people.

"There's not a single person in the world who doesn't have something to teach you," he said.

The younger generation — ranging

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Studying in the sun



Adrienne Price photo

Lindsay Ruppert sits outside of Henson Hall, her books reflecting the sunshine. After last week's cool, soggy days, Monday's sun and heat was a change. The weather forecast looks good for Tuesday, Sept. 15, but after that there is a chance of showers or storms every day through Sunday, Sept. 20.

Dr. Randall Groth wins 2009 Distinguished Faculty Award



Dr. Groth

By Gwen Ferrand
Staff Writer

For the past six years, Dr. Randall Groth has been working hard at the higher education level to

wards elevating mathematics to an increased degree of importance. He was recently honored for all his accomplishments and progress in the area of mathematics, and received Salisbury University's 2009 Distinguished

Faculty Award. Dr. Nancy Michelson of the Education Specialties Department, who chaired this year's award committee, praised Groth for having the wisdom of a teacher with many more years under his belt.

Getting his start in education in the Midwest, he earned his doctorate degree in mathematics education from Illinois State University.

Groth was a high school mathematics teacher in Wisconsin for four years prior to coming to SU and he saw firsthand the troubles that continue to plague math education on the K-12 level. He stated that students' lack of

mathematical knowledge is not new, as the media would like to sensationalize it. Groth notes that the long-term National Assessment of Educational Progress scores have actually risen slightly each decade.

"There are still many gaps in students' understanding that need to be addressed, but there has not been a sudden onset of mathematical illiteracy, as some seem to think," Groth said. "Instead, it is a problem deeply engrained in our culture on which slow, steady progress is being made."

Groth is always in the middle
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CSA launches Supplemental Instruction



R.L. Pusey photo

SI Leader Steven Fleming facilitates a Supplemental Instruction session at the Center for Student Achievement. The CSA is piloting Supplemental Instruction for the fall 2009 semester.

By Jacqueline Miller
Staff Writer

With the new school year in full swing, students are finding themselves in the library instead of on the beach as it's time to buckle down for the fall semester.

While all classes can be challenging, some courses are traditionally challenging for students, regardless of the means by which the class is taught.

Classes are deemed historically difficult if the rates of D's and F's and withdrawals (W) are high. In order to help students taking these courses, the Center for Student Achievement has launched a

pilot program called Supplemental Instruction (SI).

SI is a group learning enhancement program that targets historically difficult courses, fusing content with study strategy skills.

"We hope to have fewer D's, F's and W's in these classes, to increase the retention rate and to have fewer students on academic probation," said CSA Director Dr. Heather Holmes.

Weekly review sessions are led by knowledgeable, engaging students called SI leaders, who have previously taken and excelled in the courses participating in the pilot program. SI leaders are nominated by the professor of the particular course and it is

their responsibility to facilitate discussions and add structure to the study sessions. Although SI leaders have successfully completed the course, they attend all classes again this semester; staying on par with the professors' lectures and the overall pace of instruction.

"We try to work as a group," said education major and SI leader Scott Bunting. "The program is reliant on me not answering questions but students working with each other, drawing information together."

SI leader and math major Tyler Wilkinson is also glad to lend a helping hand to students in the

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Dr. Hoffman becomes new PACE co-director

By Ross Rinehart
Staff Writer

Dr. Adam Hoffman, an assistant professor of political science at Salisbury University, has been named the newest co-director of SU's Institute for Public Affairs and Civic Engagement.

"We're incredibly enthusiastic about having Dr. Hoffman at PACE because he has a really strong background," said Ginie Lynch, managing director of PACE. "He brings a broad

knowledge of the political system and how it works at the national, state, and local levels."

Hoffman has taught political science at SU since he joined the department in 2008. Prior to coming to Salisbury, he taught at Gettysburg College. Hoffman said he has always stressed to his classes the importance of civic involvement and political awareness.

"One of the essential ingredients of a democracy is a well-informed citizen," he said.

The new co-director's professional accomplishments go beyond his time in the classroom. Hoffman ran the Capitol Hill Internship Program at the University of Maryland, College Park and has experience in the Maryland and New York state legislatures.

Hoffman graduated from SUNY Buffalo in 1988 with a B.A. in political science and history before going on to earn a J.D. from Albany Law School in 1992, an M.A. in political science

from the University of New Mexico in 1993, and a Ph.D. in political science from the University of Maryland, College Park in 2005. During these times, he was very politically and civically active.

"For me it was a great combination to learn about politics and political science in my classes and then see how that applied to the real world. I loved that comparison," Hoffman said.

Hoffman believes PACE is the perfect organization to aid in the

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Patrick Morris photo

Dr. Hoffman

Briefly Stated

Ebony Fashion Fair to Return in 2010

As a result of the economic climate, the Ebony Fashion Fair will not be coming to the Eastern Shore in 2009, but is scheduled to return in 2010 — making next year the 52nd season of the world's largest traveling fashion show. Princess Anne Chapter of the Links, Inc. looks forward to repeating its hosting of the Ebony Fashion Fair at UMES in 2010.

Relay for Life one of Top 100 fundraising events nationwide

Salisbury University's Relay For Life was among the American Cancer Society's Top 100 fundraising events nationwide this year. SU's Relay ranked 73rd out of more than 560 colleges and universities across the United States. SU was the 14th highest ranked in the South Atlantic Division, along with such campuses as Virginia Tech, Georgetown, University of Delaware, Clemson and University of Maryland. Some 100 teams of 1,000 SU students, faculty, staff, families and community members participated in the annual Relay in May and raised more than \$70,000 for ACS. Since 2002, the University has raised more than \$620,000 for the society. Organizers are already gearing up for the April 30, 2010 Relay at SU.

College Day on the Parkway

Salisbury University is sponsoring an annual bus trip to Philadelphia on Sept. 26 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. for a premiere event for college students. More than 2,000 national and international students will gather for a day of exhibitions, special programs, and tours at some of the city's most exciting cultural centers including the Academy of Natural Sciences, the Franklin Institute Science Museum and more. A bus will transport students to and from Philadelphia and shuttles will run between sites all day. Tickets and more information are available at the Guertin University Center Information Desk.

"Groundbreaking Women Artists of the 20th Century" Film Series

On select Fridays at 6 p.m. in Fulton Hall Room 111, a series of films will be shown to celebrate the work of dedicated women throughout the 1900's. Work by Louise Bourgeois will begin the series on Sept. 18, followed by a celebration of Grace Hartigan on Oct. 16 and the series will end with Golden Dawn: The Pueblo Paintings of Pabita Velarde on Nov. 6. A reception follows each screening. The series is sponsored by University Galleries and admission is free.

Bernstein Business Plan Competition

SU students have a chance to win \$5,000 to fund any business venture they dream of launching. The 2009-2010 Bernstein Award Competition will award \$5,000 to the best plan for a new business. The Bernstein Competition provides an opportunity for every Salisbury University student, regardless of major, to develop a plan for their own business. Individuals and groups are encouraged to enter. Students who would like to learn more about the competition and the campus resources available to help create their plans are invited to an information meeting on Sept. 15, at 3:30 in Caruthers Hall Room 122.

Find Out About Frontier at Interest Meetings

Frontier, the Society for Environmental Exploration, will be coming to SU to speak about their programs. Frontier provides opportunities to intern, volunteer and get jobs. Through the organization students can gain independent field research, save endangered wildlife, learn a new language, teach impoverished children and explore the world. Students can hear their presentation on Thursday, September 17 from 3:30 to 4:45 in Career Services, located at GUC 133, or at 5:00 at the BioEnviron Club Meeting in Henson 213. If attending, please e-mail Rebecca Emery at RAEMERY@salisbury.edu. For more information about the non-profit conservation and development organization, see www.frontier.ac.uk.

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program.

"My favorite part about being an SI leader is helping people. It's a good feeling," he said. "I'm really thankful for the opportunity."

SI differs from traditional tutoring because it is held in a group setting and synthesizes "what to learn" with "how to learn."

Each session is tailored to a certain course section and is based on lectures from that class. However, students from other sections of the course may still attend SI

sessions.

"I would rather go to a [SI session] than go to tutoring because I learn better in groups and the sessions go along with what you do in class," said junior Molly Erdman.

The SI program was established in 1973 by Dr. Deanna Martin from the University of Missouri - Kansas City (UMKC) in response to the high failure rate in medical school and it wasn't long before it spread to other departments.

Today, SI is an international program conducted in more than 1,800 institutions across the United States and 27 other coun-

tries. Research shows that SI has been an advantageous tool for students seeking assistance.

"This is a support system," said Holmes. "If you don't go, you're only hurting yourself."

Sessions are open to all students and subjects include Micro-Economic Principles 211, General Chemistry I, Calculus I, Introduction to Applied Calculus, College Algebra and Trigonometry, and Music: Theory I, Perception I and Perception III.

The fall schedule and more information about the SI program may be found at www.salisbury.edu/achievement.

Crime Beat

09/09/09
2:30-5:30 p.m.

Theft

The University Police Department is investigating the theft of students' property from locker rooms in Maggs P.A.C.

09/08/09-09/09/09
11:31:15 p.m.

Malicious Destruction of Property
The window glass of the security booth in Dresser Parking Lot A was damaged.

09/05/09-09/07/09
7:4 p.m.

Malicious Destruction of Property
A complainant reported that one of his automobile's tires was punctured while it was parked and unattended in the Caruthers Parking Lot.

08/28/09-09/01/09
4-7:40 p.m.

Malicious Destruction of Property
A complainant reported that her vehicle sustained a scratch while it was parked and unattended in the Caruthers parking lot. The cause of the damage is unknown.

08/31/09
10:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Theft

A student reported the theft of a University parking permit from his unsecured vehicle while it was parked and unattended in the Devilbiss parking lot.

08/30/09
3-5 p.m.

Theft

A complainant reported the theft of a part from his motor vehicle while it was parked and unattended in the Caruthers parking lot.

08/30/09
2:03 p.m.

Hit and Run Motor Vehicle Collision
A student was charged with leaving the scene of a motor vehicle accident in the Caruthers parking lot without properly reporting his collision with an unattended motor vehicle.

08/30/09
12:55 p.m. - 1:05 p.m.

Theft

A complainant reported the theft of an unattended bicycle from the Caruthers Parking lot, lot B.

08/29/09
5:43 p.m.

Drug Violation

A student was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana in Choptank Hall. A copy of the police report was forwarded to the Office of Student Affairs for review and on-campus adjudication.

Hoffman

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comparison of what students learn in books and what happens in the actual political sphere. The enthusiastically involved professor will have the opportunity to share this connection with SU students in his new position.

"It's a great opportunity," Hoffman said. "It really meshes with my interests in American and electoral politics and in getting students more involved in participating in politics."

Hoffman said PACE uses civic engagement to build a bridge between the community and SU. The organization does so by providing students with interactive seminars, nationally renowned political speakers, and internships as well as offering research and polling services to the community.

PACE continues the tradition this semester with various addresses from PACE directors and political leaders.

To find out more about PACE or upcoming events, visit the organization's Web site at <http://www.salisbury.edu/pace/>

SGA forum covers budget cuts, Homecoming

By Meredith Meads
Staff Writer

The Student Government Association held the first of their Sunday forums Sept. 13 at their new location in TETC 153. Main topics included the budget crisis within the University System of Maryland and upcoming events.

Recently, USM suffered two severe budget cuts. Salisbury University alone saw a cut of more than \$2.6 million from their operating budget and fund balance. This results in cutbacks all over campus from faculty positions to the number of accepted students for incoming classes.

"I really learned a lot from the forum tonight about how the budget is affecting the student body," said Maria Diaz, president of the Organization for Latin American Students. "I had no idea how many cuts had actually been

made."

USM's student council representative Sarah Elfret, a senior at Towson University, was present at the meeting to discuss information. SGAs all over the state worry about quality of education as budget cuts continue. Salisbury's SGA hopes to increase student involvement as they move toward awareness and solutions.

"Considering we were talking about budget tonight, people seemed pretty interested," said SGA President Patrick Gotham. "It's not the most popular topic, but everyone seemed to care about what was being said."

On a lighter note, SGA discussed their upcoming homecoming plans. Homecoming kicks off Oct. 10 with a new tradition — the homecoming pageant. Each Recognized Student Organization can nominate a senior male and female student to compete for king and queen. After

being crowned, the couple will participate in other homecoming events, including the pep rally, game show and block party before being presented at the Sept. 24 game against Union College.

As RSOs look towards homecoming, many must go through the process of becoming recognized, either after having been derecognized from previous semesters or because they are new to campus.

Vice President of External Affairs Julia Glanz presented new business. SU hopes to participate in a program called "Party Smart" where students 21 years of age and older can register their party beforehand with the police department. If a complaint were called in by a neighbor about noise, the police would be able to call the students and allow them 20 minutes to calm or break up their party before the police would arrive to issue a noise citation. Other schools have



SGA officers led the first forum on Sept. 13. Budget cuts, homecoming festivities, and "Party Smart" were among the topics discussed.

seen noise violations decrease up to 45 percent after implementing the program.

For the next meeting, the SGA hopes to continue preparing events, but also wants to stay aware of campus activity.

"What is really exciting about SGA is that you never know what could be the next hot topic. Depending on the forum, we could really be talking about anything on campus students find important," Gotham said.

Humanities Seminar Series begins Sept. 26

SALISBURY, MD — What do American celebrities, the Chesapeake Bay and Jane Austen have in common? All three are topics explored during Adventures in Ideas: Salisbury University's 2009-2010 Humanities Seminar Series.

Alumni and community members are invited to join distinguished SU faculty members for stimulating, intellectual discussion during these one-day seminars, designed to replicate the college learning experience without papers, grades or tests. All seminars are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays. Led by Don Whaley, SU associ-

ate professor emeritus of history, the first seminar is "Celebrity in America and the Distortion of our Culture and Politics" on September 26 in the Teacher Education and Technology Center, Room 179.

"A culture of celebrity shapes the behavior of Americans today," Whaley said. "Politicians, intellectuals and artists must become celebrities in order to exert genuine influence on the general public. A pleasing, distinctive personality and an attractive image are seen as vital in competing for success."

The seminar examines how and why the Horatio Alger heroes of the 19th century, who achieved success through hard work, have given way to celebrities admired for their images instead of their accomplishments. Whaley asks: What effect does this phenomenon have on art, literature, politics, child rearing and popular culture such as movies and comic books?

Other upcoming seminars are: "The Chesapeake in Word and Image" with famed environmental writer Tom Horton and photographer David Harp on January 30,

and "The World and Works of Jane Austen" with Dr. Lucy Morrison of SU's English Department and Honors Program in March (date and location to be announced).

Horton and Harp, who have combined talents for three decades, use pictures and stories to explore the Chesapeake from its geologic origins to its present day status and its future. Morrison enters the world of Jane Austen, exploring 19th century England, the laws of inheritance, rituals, dances and popular screen portrayals.

"The series is designed to be an in-depth examination of important social, cultural or moral issues," Whaley said.

Sponsored by the Fulton School of Liberal Arts, the Alumni Association, and the Whaley Family Foundation, the cost of each seminar is \$30 or \$75 for all three. Breakfast and lunch are included. For more information or to register visit <http://alumni.salisbury.edu>, or contact Jason Curtin, director of Alumni Relations, at 410-543-6042 or jecurtin@salisbury.edu.

Dionne

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in age from about 18 to 35 — has the potential to change the direction of American history, Dionne said. With a service-oriented attitude, he explained, this generation also seems to be very progressive.

Kane said he hopes Dionne's lecture will inspire students to get engaged in politics, even if it's not during college. He explained that students can get civically involved in ways other than just running for office.

"When they graduate, we really want them to be involved as citizens, and I think a talk like this might help to inspire some students to do that," he said.

Award

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of one academic endeavor or another — including working with low-income students, teaching nine different courses in the past five years, and being involved in gaining over \$2 million in partnership grants with local schools. "Mathematics education is a great field because it really allows one to make many connections among the three major requirements of university professors: teaching, scholarship, and service," he said.

Groth is also working on a textbook intended for use in courses that emphasize the methods of teaching mathematics.

"The book is designed for prospective middle and high school mathematics teachers. It describes how students think and learn about numbers, algebra, geometry, statistics, and probability," Groth said.

Also important to the recent award winner is that students know there are many opportunities to teach at the grade-school level for those who love math.

"You could not have a more satisfying job," Groth said, noting also that schools struggle to find people both very qualified and passionate about teaching the subject in fresh and original ways.

"I think we have to be constantly mindful of not allowing regulation that comes in the form of standards and testing at the K-12 level to stifle creativity. When creativity and innovation are missing from the classroom, teaching and learning only suffer."

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Sudanese woman convicted of wearing trousers freed

By James Asuquo-Brown
Staff Writer

A Sudanese woman, Lubna Hussein, who wore pants in public was fined the equivalent of \$200 but avoided a whipping when a court found her guilty of violating Sudan's decency laws. The outspoken journalist, who had recently worked for the United Nations, faced up to 40 lashes in the case, which has garnered considerable media attention internationally.

Since her release, Hussein had refused to pay the fine, instead opting for a month's imprisonment as a result. According to The Associated Press (AP), she was freed earlier this month after the fine was paid without her knowledge by the government-affiliated Journalist Union. Hussein said she suspected that the au-

thorities, in a move to stem any more unflattering media scrutiny, did not want her to spend any time in prison at Omdurman, in the capital city of Khartoum, where its believed at least 800 women are serving time for indecency-based offenses.

Since being arrested in July, the 43-year-old Hussein has used her plight to draw attention to Sudan's indecency law, which applies flogging as a punishment for any acts that are deemed to offend morals, including the act of wearing certain articles of clothing.

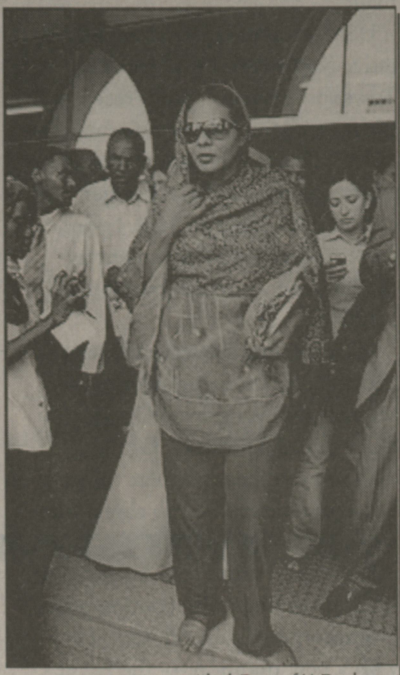
Unlike some of the woman arrested along with her, Hussein decided to take the case to court to show the injustice of the law and its effect on women. Her case drew heavy condemnations from international human rights groups. Numerous human rights

campaigners have said the law is vague, archaic and that the mostly Christian southern Sudanese in the capital are unfairly targeted.

Under the 2005 peace deal that ended a more than 20-year civil war between the Muslim north and the mostly Christian south, laws, particularly the indecency law, were intended to be reviewed to respect human rights and freedom of expression.

"This is not my case alone. This is a case of all the Sudanese women and the society," Hussein said when asked if she would appeal the court decision, according to the AP. She said she would consult with supporters before deciding if it is worth filing an appeal.

Hussein in her one day in prison said she met with many women who were jailed under the



Abd Raoul/AP photo

Sudanese woman Lubna Hussein was fined for wearing pants.

indecency law, including individuals imprisoned for brewing alcohol — common among southern Sudanese. She said she met a college student from south Sudan who received 20 lashes for wearing trousers and is currently serving a three-month jail sentence.

Turkey is still not part of the European Union

By Daniel McElwain
Staff Writer

Is the European Union stalling the admittance of Turkey into its organization? one BBC correspondent asks.

A report by the Independent Commission of Turkey claims it is, accusing European leaders such as French President Nicolas Sarkozy and countries such as Germany and Austria as being the ones most opposed to a full member Turkey.

Turkey's first steps toward full membership in the European Union go back to 1963 when the country was accepted as an associate member of the European Union and later in the 1970s when the two further integrated their economies in the Ankara Agreement.

In 1987, Turkey applied for full membership and has since been on the waiting list for longer than any other state, even though there are 14 nations that have joined the European Union since.

Turkey has been acknowledged as being an eventual member of the European Union in 1989, 1997 and 1999, but the report by the Independent Commission of Turkey accuses the EU of instead trying to push on "special privileges" instead of the promised membership.

The biggest obstacle to Turkey's admission into the European Union has been the issue of the island of Cyprus.

Cyprus is split between two countries, one the Turkish-backed but largely unrecognized Turkish Republic of North Cyprus and the other the Republic of Cyprus comprising the southern half of the island, which was admitted to the European Union in 2004.

The Independent Commission on Turkey is lead by former Finnish President Martti Ahtisaari and other senior European scholars and notables.

The commission says that a series of negative statements by European leaders on issues like Islam, jobs, and immigration has increased the number of Europeans opposed to Turkey's admission to the union.

Discontent has also been rising in Turkey as Turks claim that they are being discriminated against and opposition to the European Union is increasing as well.

Ahtisaari warns that, through this vicious cycle, the European Union's credibility is at stake. Analysts are saying that Turkey has released this report in hopes that it will galvanize the European leadership to get negotiations moving.

Analysts also say that people in Turkey think that this will most likely not happen.

Afghan election recount ordered

By Kelley Matney
Staff Writer

A United Nations-backed commission has declared that they have found several "indicators of fraud" in the Aug. 20 presidential elections in Afghanistan and has ordered a partial recount of the votes in specific regions.

This was the second presidential election held in Afghanistan since United States-led troops invaded and overthrew the Taliban regime following the Sept. 11 attacks.

There have been no official figures yet determining the voter turnout, but government officials are saying turnout was only low in certain areas because of Taliban threats and attacks. Dozens of voters were killed and injured because of polling station bomb-

ings and raids.

According to preliminary results of the valid votes, President Hamid Karzai received close to 54 percent of the votes, which would be enough to avoid a runoff with closest rival Former Foreign Minister Abdullah Abdullah.

The number of nullified votes has not been officially released, but based on initial results released with 91 percent of polling stations counted, it appears that 400,000 votes are going to be recounted.

It is unclear whether the amount of voided ballots could affect the result enough to cause a runoff.

In a statement on Sept. 10, the Electoral Complaints Commission (ECC) said that they had already voided ballots at dozens of polling stations in Ghazni, Pak-

tika and Kandahar provinces.

The ECC has received close to 3,000 complaints about the election and have judged 726 complaints as serious enough to affect results.

The evidence of fraud the ECC has found is unfolded and miscounted ballots, votes for candidates inserted inside bundles for other candidates, and lists of voters with fictitious card numbers. Abdullah has accused the Karzai team of stuffing ballots, and some United States monitors are saying turnout numbers were too high.

"In some areas the turnout was higher than the number of ballots we sent to the polling stations," said Daoud Ali Najafi, the Chief Electoral Officer of the Afghan-run Independent Election Commission, who also run the first presidential election in

2004.

"We just take this on a complaint-by-complaint basis, and how that pans out, we really don't know and in many respects don't care, because it's not material to the work that we're doing," Grant Kippen, the Canadian commission chairman, told journalists.

The United States Spokesman Ian Kelly made a statement last week in regards to the situation in Afghanistan. He said it was important to say that in spite of fraud accusations, he praises Afghan authorities for holding free and organized elections.

"It is very important that these elections are seen as legitimate in the eyes of the Afghan people and the international community," said Kelly. However, "it could take a matter of weeks or months to sort out these allegations."

U.S. 2nd in economic competitiveness

By Samantha Fisher
Staff Writer

The U.S. dropped from first place to second place on Sept. 8, putting the U.S. behind Switzerland in the economic competitiveness.

The World Economic Forums (WEF) said "Switzerland's performance has remained relatively stable." The WEF also showed that the Global Competitiveness Index was at 5.59 for the U.S. while Switzerland had a score of 5.60.

The Global Competitiveness Index was first introduced in

2004 by Xavier Sala-i-Martin and has been the leading source for ranking Economic Competitiveness between the countries of the world.

It is based on 12 pillars of competitiveness: institutions, infrastructure, macroeconomic stability, health and primary education, higher education and training, goods market efficiency, labor market efficiency, financial market sophistication, technological readiness, market size, business sophistication and innovation.

American markets went down in the past year due to the eco-

nomics crisis that included the collapse of the Lehman Brothers Holdings Inc. This, along with the other crises, including the housing market and the rise of unemployment in the last year, contributed to the standing of the country's economic competitiveness.

Bloomberg News reported that "Switzerland took the top spot after being ranked third in the world for business sophistication...its economy was ranked 17th for stability." It also doesn't help the U.S. standing when the country remains in a recession and Switzerland has just come out of theirs.

It was also reported by Yael Bizouati in The Business Insider that America is 108th in soundness of banks. This ranking places the country right above Tanzania, a country that is in quite a different economic stand-

ing than that of the U.S. budget did not help matters as it went from 66th to 93rd for economic stability.

However, there are sources that discredit the worry over America's economic state and go on to others.

For example, Felix Salmon wrote a blog discussing the economic competitiveness on blogs.reuters.com. In his blog, he wrote, "It's much more important to wonder what Uruguay is doing on 65th place, or why Croatia is 72nd, or why Argentina is 85th. Those are the countries that we need to worry about."

It is clear from the results of the world's economy that America has taken a downturn. It is also clear that the economy of one country does not merely affect those inside it but those outside as well.

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Overheard: If you could live in any era, what would it be?

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"60's because it's all liberal and crazy. Everyone's free, the music and clothing is amazing. Woodstock! You could run around naked and people would be like 'hey that's awesome!'"
-Haley Simmons, sophomore



"60's so I could meet John Lennon. I love his music and his art and I wish I could have had the chance to experience it firsthand."
-Lauren Ryan, junior



"80's because I love everything about the 80's except the fashion."
-Michael Oliver, sophomore



"60's because Vietnam was happening and the Beatles. It's a huge part of our history."
-Tara Underwood, sophomore



"50's because the style was different but it is being brought back in today's fashion."
-Nehemie Fils-Aime, junior

Fox: not as "fair and balanced" as they claim

By Brian Lomax
Staff Writer

"In seeking truth you have to get both sides of a story." When Walter Cronkite said those words, it's assumed that he had the media in mind. But even he couldn't imagine how far away we've gotten away from those words today.

There is a debate raging in America today, and it all centers around health care reform. This has been a staple of Democratic platforms since the Roosevelt administration, and last week President Obama stated that he would be the last to tackle this issue. It

was an historic moment in America's history. The nation's first African-American president addressed a joint session of Congress with the world watching, and spelled out reform that recently deceased Massachusetts Senator Edward Kennedy only dreamed about.

But if you were watching your local Fox affiliate last Wednesday night, you did not see this speech, nor did you hear Republican Rep. Joe Wilson of South Carolina call Mr. Obama a liar. What you saw was an episode of "So You Think You Can Dance?" because News Corp. deemed the speech unworthy of its airtime.

It would be unjust to make this editorial an issue of media bias, because it is naive to think that Fox is the only network that exhibits proclivity when reporting the issues. It is more than fair, however, to question how Fox can justify showing reality television over a major speech by the President of the United States.

It's no secret that Fox News is in the corner of the Republican Party. It does, however, pride itself by claiming to be "fair and balanced." News Corp.'s decision to not show the president's speech reeks of hypocrisy. To their credit, it was shown in its entirety on their Fox News Chan-

nel. But with every other news organization showing the speech on their broadcast affiliates, Fox should have followed suit and done the same.

You don't have to agree with the president. Many people do not. This is one of the best parts of democracy: if you don't like something, you can peacefully do something about it. But there is no room for such views in the newsroom.

As the most watched news network in the country, Fox needs get back to reporting the news instead of pushing its own agenda. We want both sides of the story. Nothing else.

Pursuing justice is not playing politics

By Jeremy Riffle
Editorial Editor

In August, the CIA, following a federal court's ruling in a lawsuit filed by the American Civil Liberties Union, released a long-awaited report from 2005 detailing the use of "enhanced interrogation techniques" against detainees during the war on terror. The heavily-redacted report describes both incidents that went beyond the so-called legal boundaries defined by Bush administration lawyers and the use of sanctioned techniques.

Those actions that went beyond the guidelines for interrogation included staging mock executions,

threats made with a power drill, and insinuations about what might happen to the families of detainees if they did not cooperate with their interrogators. These methods were apparently too excessive for the Bush administration's delicate sensibilities, which is why they were never "legalized" by its lawyers.

Those methods that were authorized, however, are horrible in themselves. Walling, which is the slamming of an individual into a collapsible wall; stress positions, forcing detainees into uncomfortable positions for long periods of time; sleep deprivation for as long as eleven days at a time and waterboarding were all performed and

considered legal. One detainee was waterboarded nearly 200 times. Such techniques were deemed to be within legal bounds by President Bush's legal counsel, despite the fact that the State Department had criticized their use by other countries as torture.

It has been argued that there should not be action taken against those who allowed these methods to be used, because they believed in good faith that they were acting within the bounds of the law. It has been suggested that only those who went beyond the guidelines will be prosecuted. To do only that would be to embrace injustice.

This country is supposed to be a nation of laws and ideals, such as

due process and humane treatment. If we wish to continue believing this, then we should prosecute, to the fullest extent of the law, those who enabled torture. The argument that a memo from a lawyer makes an illegal act legally tolerable is a merely a modification of the defense of "just following orders" which has been invalidated consistently since war criminals in Germany and Japan used it after World War II.

Whether or not to pursue justice should not be a political issue. Those individuals who allowed torture to be committed must be prosecuted or this nation's moral standing, already tarnished, will be stained indelibly.

Government should represent the people

By Chad Grills
Staff Writer

Sept. 8 marked the beginning of the school year for many public school students. The first day of public school included a presidential address. The Department of Education disseminated a memo, and advertised the speech. Certain school systems in favor of students hearing the speech aired it, and other systems did not.

Democrats accurately cited former President George H.W. Bush delivering a similar address to school children during his term. Those who are agitated by a political address for school children would be wise to consider this the next time they are voting or considering a public servant. If politicians who campaign their entire term of public service bother you, please consider the following:

In a republic where we, the populace, have a chance to elect public servants, we must make prudent decisions. If we, the body of individuals, feel we can make decisions and choose actions in our best interest, we must elect leaders who respect our judgment. Politicians who follow their own convictions and pursue policies in the best interest of

their constituents and America are scarce. Rather, politicians today formulate and vote on policies only to advance their political careers.

The arrogance of an elected official to address school children as his own is unrivaled. The presumptuousness of using every media outlet to constantly advertise oneself is revolting. The 'stimulus' is another example of politician's audaciousness in claiming a singular decision-making body can tailor policy in the 'best interest' of every individual.

Will we, the people, continue to vote into power ideologues who seek involvement in our everyday lives? Will we allow a single governing body power to insult our logic? The same people formulating policy in elected office are wrought with contradictions.

The ruling party, including the president and vice president, all claim the 'stimulus' is a success. The 'stimulus' went in to effect earlier this year. Since then, GDP, housing starts and disposable personal income are down. Meanwhile unemployment, use of food stamps, bad mortgages and the deficit are increasing. Those who vote are being presented testimony, and now must choose a verdict.

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In case of Megrahi, Scottish government showed no values

By Robert Forrester
Staff Writer

"The Scottish Government made a wrong decision, in the wrong way, with the wrong consequences," said Iain Gray, the Labour Party Leader in the Scottish parliament. What was so wrong? On August 20 of this year, convicted Libyan bomber Abdelbaset Ali al-Megrahi was released from prison on compassionate grounds by the Scottish government. Megrahi, responsible for a 1988 air-line bombing which resulted in 270 deaths (189 of which were American citizens), was diagnosed with terminal prostate cancer. At the time of this publication, Megrahi has an estimated six months left to live.

Scotland, just like the rest of the U.K., has a compassionate clause attached to sentences imposed for crimes. If a prisoner contracts a terminal disease or has similarly suffered, they are deemed to have served their sentence and are eligible for early release. Compassionate re-

lease is rather common in the U.K. Then why all the fuss? The Scottish government decided to release Megrahi despite heavy pressure by the U.S. government to let him serve his full life term in a Scottish prison. A full two-thirds of the Scottish people opposed his release, while over half believed he should have been left to die in jail. But the most controversial part of this case was that, upon his return to Libya, Mr Megrahi was given a hero's welcome, complete with cheering, flag-waving crowd.

Now, with over 70 percent of Scots viewing their parliament in a negative light, Scottish MPs have been attacking Justice Secretary Kenny MacAskill over the decision. Tory Leader Annabel Gold maintained the decision did not reflect that of the Scottish people, while even MacAskill claimed "it showed no compassion or sensitivity to the families of the 270 victims of Lockerbie."

This begs the question: Why on



Abdel Magid al-Fergany/AP photo

The Scottish government freed bomber Abdelbaset Ali al-Megrahi because of the compassionate clause. He is being treated in Tripoli, Libya.

earth did the Scottish government release Megrahi in the first place? Since the release, which President Obama has called "a mistake," the Scottish government has tried to backpedal.

They have called for investigations and for MacAskill's resignation. However, the entire affair has shown the Scottish government lacks one major component: values. They show no responsibility for their own actions, and no remorse for the victims of the bombing. But most importantly, they show no integrity. If they are to release a man on compas-

sionate grounds, then they should hold to their values and do so. The members of Parliament should stick to their guns and proclaim, "yes, the man is evil, but we are better than him. We will show him the compassion he failed to show those 270 victims so many years ago." They should not squirm in the face of public pressure and immediately denounce themselves. Otherwise, they must ask themselves whether or not they have any values at all.

All information used has been gathered via the BBC World Service (Radio and Web).

Affordable, convenient DVD kiosk is great for students

By Morgan Majchrzak
Staff Writer

On my way to lunch one day, I passed by the SGA office in and noticed to my right a new machine being set up.

Taking a closer look, I realized that it was a DVD rental kiosk. At the kiosk, located in the Guerrieri University Center, students can rent a DVD for \$1.29 for the first night with an additional charge of \$0.99 per night.

There are several reasons why this is a great idea. One, it is extremely convenient for students to rent movies rather than walking to the video store.

Yes, there are a limited quantity of movies, but overall, I saw that they are mostly new movies with some older ones thrown in (like "Austin Powers" and "Rugrats"), so you are bound to find one you want.

Also, renting movies is actually affordable, and by affordable, I mean college students can comfortably rent a DVD on any given night and not worry about going broke.

It costs an arm and a leg to go to the movie theater and renting movies from a store can get pretty pricey, especially if you are a movie aficionado. I bet I can see over half those movies in the kiosk and not even spend what I would if I went to the movies to see one movie, buy popcorn and buy a soda. It's almost incredible to believe.

I am thrilled about the kiosk being on campus. If the week-end movie is a movie I've already seen, I can just meander over to the kiosk and choose one. For \$1.29, I doubt I will be going to a movie theater in the immediate future.

I wonder if the kiosk will ever accept cash or if it will stay as only taking credit cards. I know most students have a credit or debit card, but there is a small minority of students still shelling out cash.

Also, how does it keep track of how many nights the movie is rented?

Overall, though, I think it is another wonderful thing Salisbury has for their students.

Since the new DVD kiosk rents up-to-date movies, being conveniently located, and very affordable, who would dare complain?

Cash for Clunkers program seems more costly in the long-term



Justin Sullivan/Getty Images photo

Congress put \$3 billion into the Cash for Clunkers rebate program. Consumers had the opportunity to save money on new cars if they traded in their old clunkers.

By Kyra Milbourne
Staff Writer

With the economy at its lowest, and businesses experiencing a financial downturn, Congress finally made a move to try to put a stop to at least one industry's financial troubles.

Weeks ago, Congress introduced a supposedly economy-boosting rebate program designed to help the failing auto industry. That's right, with the

number of homeless people in the world skyrocketing, homes being foreclosed on, and the overall economy struggling, Congress decided to help the industry that has received the most handouts. A \$1 billion bill, which quickly had an additional \$2 billion added to the program because of the rapid exhaustion of its funding, was hoped to reduce carbon footprints and help the failing automobile industry. The initiative ended

isn't this great? Congress scrounges up \$3 billion to help the auto industry, but we can barely afford to continue Social Security, unemployment benefits, and Medicare. Why is it that Congress is more concerned about the auto industry than anything else? Consumers of new cars during this rebate program did not feel that Congress' choice in helping the industry was a waste. Cars flew off lots everywhere with a final quote of

690,000 clunkers clunked, and 996,890 new, more energy efficient cars sold. What will happen to those consumers when the \$4,500 runs out and they are left with a new monthly bill?

"This whole situation is crazy for real. First off, what will happen if those that bought the cars can't afford to pay for them? Once again there goes the economy. Second, I saw on TV that the clunkers are being crushed in order to make steel. Wouldn't those clunkers be more useful for something else, like using their parts to restore other cars? I really don't think Congress is thinking before making these decisions. They're using money we don't have," said senior Angela Kitchens.

The Cash for Clunkers program so far has been a success; we'll have to wait and see what the long term effects may be. In the meantime, Congress has passed another rebate program that I doubt will be as successful: the rebate program of appliances. Congress has passed a \$300 million bill just for the purchase of new appliances. With all this money being spent so quickly, I hope there's more where that came from, because with the way things are looking, the economy is going to get worse before it gets better.

Are non-commercial radio stations about to roar?

By Tara Underwood
Staff Writer

Scott Johnston began his small low power non-commercial radio station KXZI a couple of years ago to give his local Montana community the music it wanted but could not hear on commercial radio. His wife and a book-keeper are employees and the station is sponsored by local businesses.

Non-commercial radio stations have never been as popular as they are today. Low power non-commercial radio stations surfaced roughly ten years ago. They were intended to provide competition with the big corporate radio chains. Now, these low power non-commercial radio stations may be ready to break through for millions of people to hear.

A congressional bill is being considered by non-commercial radio advocates. They believe that with Internet streaming and digital wireless reception, any station can be heard anywhere in the

world. The combination of these two factors is so technologically advanced that in the future, non-commercial radio stations may be heard from cell phones. If this bill is passed, the number of licensed, low-power stations will double.

Technology continues to provide outlets for different types of mass media. Whether it is television, the Internet or radio, advances continue to grow. Who knew ten years ago that any ordinary human being would be able to develop their own radio station from their home and have viewers listening halfway across the United States? The radio continues to change and develop into a more public movement, especially with non-commercial stations.

Competing with the biggest commercial radio stations in the world may seem like a far away dream for local non-commercial owners like Johnston. If these stations do become more popular, however, they could force the commercial stations to improve the type of music they broadcast

to the number of commercials they air.

Non-commercial radio stations have always existed in American society and have been huge on college campuses. They have few paid staff members and much of the work comes from the community. The stations are typically geared towards a certain genre of music and the producer decides what he or she would like to broadcast or talk about. Non-commercial radio stations can be used to promote music as well. Non-commercial radio is a useful tool for the larger stations because they foster local singers and bands that have yet to be heard by a record label.

The money comes from the people who listen. They support non-commercial radio stations because they enjoy listening to something different and unique. While non-commercial radio stations may not seem important to the big corporate chains yet, the promotion and popularity is quickly gaining speed—change is coming.

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WXSU welcomes change Station introduces new programs

By Eric Buratty
Life & Style Editor

Students can look forward to a brand new WXSU Radio this semester. According to general manager Fred Hobbs, WXSU Radio has become better organized.

"We wanted to get away from playing random music at random times. So we came up with a more structured block scheduling playing time for our show," Hobbs said.

While in the past WXSU Radio maintained a reputation for playing outdated rock music, they will incorporate all types of music now.

"The number one thing that's new is the music. We're in the process of gutting out all the old crazy music and moving towards playing everything from go-go and

rap to rock and country," Hobbs said.

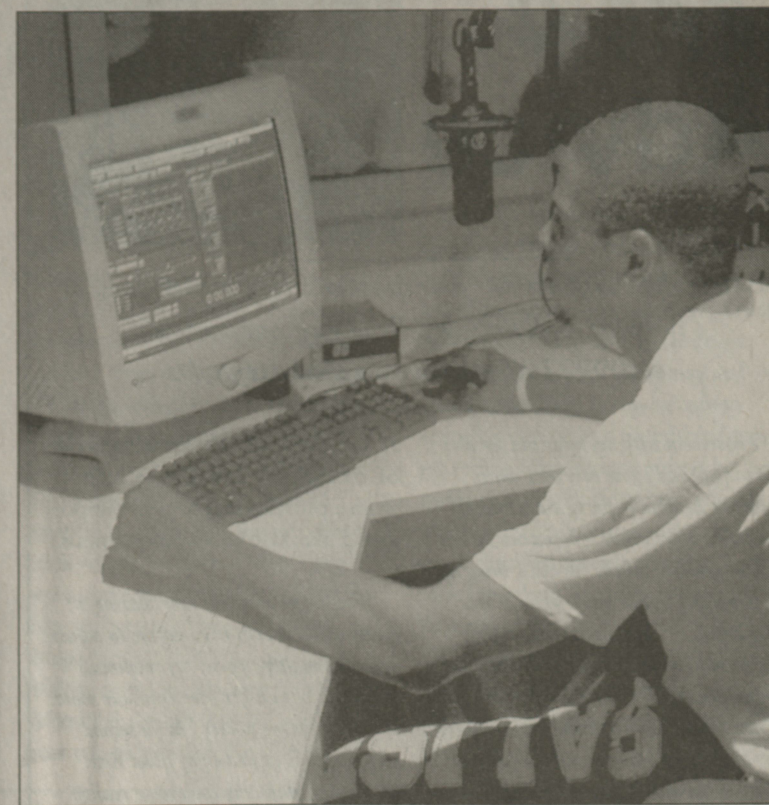
Hobbs mentioned that some of the key players making these changes are Music Director Asena Terry and Personnel Director Kelsey Grant. While Terry listens to and edits all music received, Grant provides the direct link between WXSU Radio and DJs to ensure that there is always a mutual relationship.

"I'm looking forward to a fresh start for the station. I also look forward to getting some feedback from the students on our performance – from both old and new listeners," Terry said. "I'm anxious to hear what the DJs have to say about our station. I hope everybody will check us out this semester on 96.3," Grant said.

Even though WXSU Radio's space was cut in half, the station's two advisors, Mike Camillo and Sara Lowery, uphold a professional and knowledgeable approach to work around that.

"Our new management's goal is to show SU how we're going to make stuff better by becoming even more involved without that extra space. We were already in 'Rock the Quad,' and we plan on bringing enough surprises to homecoming and other events that students will get tired of us," Hobbs said.

Although WXSU Radio's station frequency is low and reaches a 10 mile radius, Hobbs is confident that the audience will increase. "As of right now, the listening audience is very minimal. But the key phrase is 'as of right now,'" Hobbs said.



Dan McFarland photo

Aaron Bruce is on the WXSU team this semester. WXSU is starting fresh and reworking things about the radio station. 96.3 hopes to reach a larger audience as they make improvements.

Celebrating Hispanic heritage month at SU

By Diana Dwyer
Staff Writer

Every year Salisbury University plans at least three events in partnership with World Artists Experiences. The vision of the nonprofit organization is a world where people of all countries establish creative partnerships to foster mutual respect, trust and hope.

Hispanic Heritage Month is one of the many ways SU encourages cultural diversity. It promotes tolerance and cultural understanding within the diverse campus.

Salisbury University is celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month with a special dinner in the Bistro of the Commons and a performance by The Alturas Duo.

June Krell-Salgado, director of Cultural Affairs at SU, encourages students to participate in programs like the Cultural Laureate Program and upcoming events like the trip to Philadelphia and others planned for Hispanic Heritage Month.

The Hispanic Heritage Month

dinner is sponsored by University Dining Services and will be served on Wednesday, Sept. 16 in the

Bistro of the Commons from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. The dinner menu seeks to present authentic Hispanic cuisine to the campus community. The menu includes

strawberry mock-a-ritas, avocado hummus with tortilla chips, ropa vieja, cilantro rice, potatoes with chorizo, green beans with garlic and tomato, Catalan spinach sauté, Mexican cornbread, fruit enchiladas, chocolate tres leches cake,

and Mexican wedding cookies.

The cost of the dinner for anyone without a meal plan is \$10.36 for adults, \$6.30 for children aged 6-12, and it is free for children under five years old.

Following the dinner, The Alturas Duo will perform in the Wicomico room of the Guerrieri University Center at 7 p.m. With a guitar, viola and charango, the duo mixes traditional sounds from their classical training with South American folk rhythms.

This free concert is sponsored

by the Office of Cultural Affairs, World Artists Experiences, and the Embassy of Chile.

Some students are looking forward to the Hispanic food.

"Of course I'm going to the dinner. It sounds really good," said junior Dane Stanton.

"We're training future citizens of the world, really. It really is so important to bridge cultures through the arts," Krell-Salgado said.

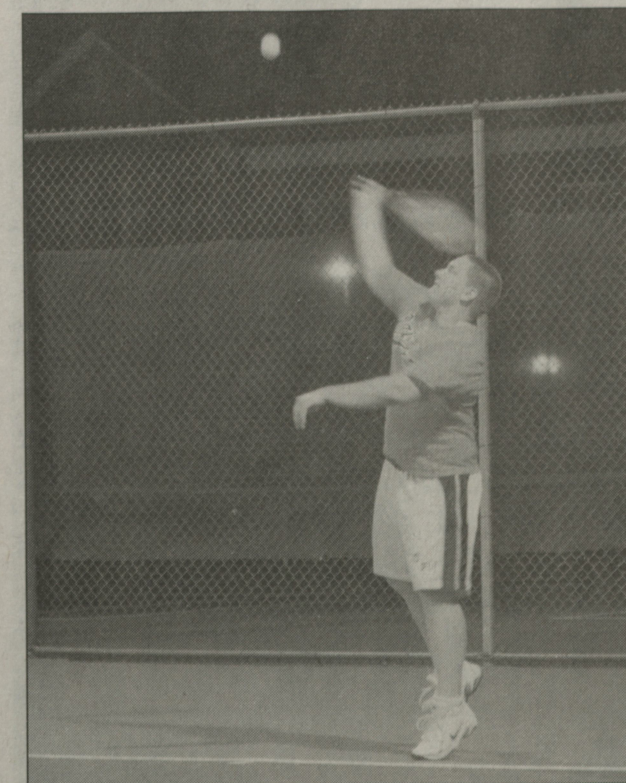
For more information, call the SU Office of Cultural Affairs at 410-543-6271.

From the Photo Bank: What's Happening On Campus



Patrick Morris photo

Amanda Henning, left, and Stephanie Yourik watched the Washington Redskins' football game in the Fireside Lounge on Sunday, Sept. 13. The Redskins lost to the New York Giants 23-17 in the matchup.



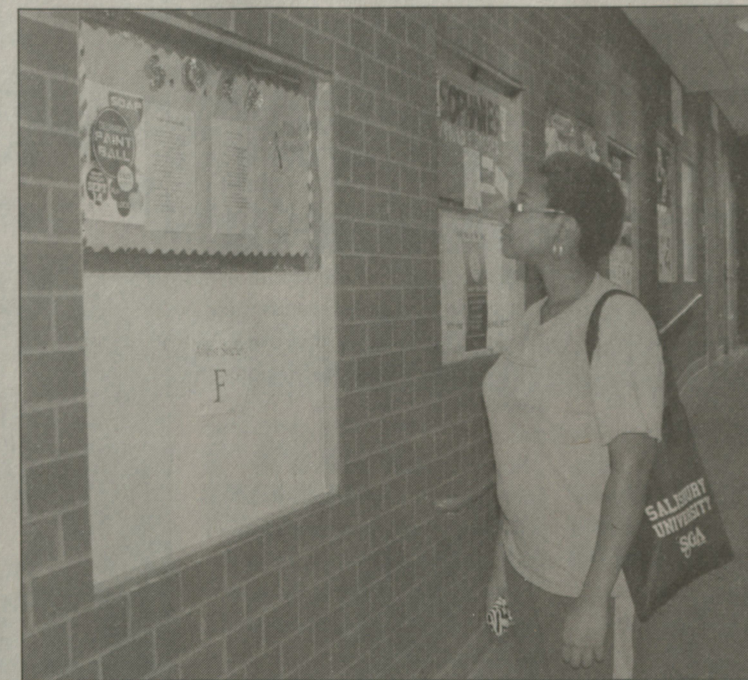
Patrick Morris photo

Matt Doot swings at a tennis ball while playing on SU's court at night last week.



Bridget Kerner photo

Abby Tedford, a forward on the SU field hockey team, guards the ball from her Frostburg opponent. The Gulls shut out Frostburg 8-0 Saturday during the SU Invitational.



Adrienne Price photo

Christen Fields-Carr checks out what's going on with SOAP on the organization's bulletin board in the Guerrieri University Center. SOAP has a lot planned for this semester including movies, speakers, comedians, open mic nights and more.



Dan McFarland photo

Students flip through the various posters at last week's Beyond the Wall poster sale, which featured not only posters but magnets, postcards, tapestries and more.

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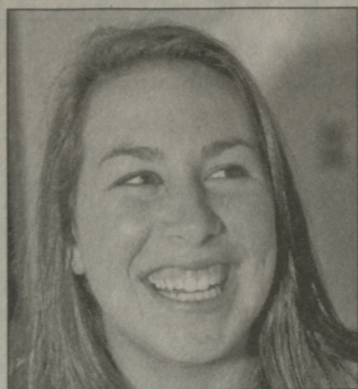
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"I have been with my boyfriend for over a year now, and I love him very much. However, he likes to party a lot, and he sometimes says hurtful things when he has had too much to drink. When I bring up the comments he has made while he was intoxicated, he always gets mad, saying that he did not mean them and that I am 'stupid' because I know he is drunk when he says them. I do not know what to do or how to confront him without him getting angry. How can I make him realize his drinking is ruining our relationship?"

When approaching your boyfriend, do it in a loving manner, and tell him that you do not want him getting angry but that the comments are truly bothering you. Is his drinking bothering anyone else he is close to besides you? If so, then perhaps have them talk to him as well. You should also tell him that when he calls you 'stupid' for bringing up his comments, it is emotionally abusive and hurts your feelings.

If you think that his drinking is out of control, ask him to seek help from a professional or peer support group like Alcoholics Anonymous.

"This is my first year ever sharing a room, and it is very hard for me to adjust. To make matters worse, my roommate constantly has all her friends in our room. It is hard for me to ever have a second alone to study or just enjoy quiet time. How can I make my roommate realize that I don't mind her having friends over every once in a while but would like her to remember that it is my room too?"

Sit down with your roommate and tell her that you need certain hours of time without her having people over in the room. Make her understand that you need quiet time to study and that she needs to respect your space as well. If this does not work, perhaps have a meeting with your roommate and Resident Director to sort the problem out.

Nabb Center hosts burial ground lecture

By Kayla Moore
Staff Writer

After agreeing to work on a cemetery restoration project, Linda Dwyer explored African American cemeteries in western Maryland, northern Maryland, and the Eastern Shore.

"I started with a few documented cemeteries locally and got hooked. Then I found most of the cemeteries I've researched by word of mouth," Dwyer said.

Each location has a unique size, shape, and appearance that adds to the richness of the history found in these cemeteries. After researching countless cemeteries, Dwyer wrote the book "One Kind Favor."

In her discussion at the Nabb Research Center on Sept. 10, Dwyer elaborated on the variations of the cemeteries she researched. She also discussed each cemetery's importance on the culture and history of the local African American community.

"These cemeteries tell you a lot about the people... who they were, how they lived or they remembered, their social status," said Dr. Clara Small, an African American History professor at SU.

After documenting these cemeteries, Dwyer found that traditions from the time of burial at these cemeteries have influenced modern funeral practices.

"Many traditions are still being used today, like putting trinkets in the caskets, sprinkling dirt on the caskets, or certain ceremonies before and after burial," Dwyer said.

Most cemeteries Dwyer researched, including The Cambridge Silent City, were overgrown, eroded or completely gone. Such cemeteries have either been forgotten about or taken over by the local woods and vegetation.

Paul Morris, the vice chair on the board at the Nabb Research Center, discussed the importance of death records he received from churches and funeral homes in aiding the documentation of these burial sites.

"Getting these records are going to be the biggest help to document and preserve these cemeteries," Morris said.

"By documenting these cemeteries, they offer a history about the local African American community that has been lost over the years for various reasons. It helps historians like me understand the culture of these people buried here," Dwyer said.

MTAA: Sarff and Whidden's art presented at eGallery this fall

By Rachael Stone
Staff Writer

Salisbury's Electronic Gallery features technological art by Michael Sarff and Tim Whidden, collaboratively known as MTAA (M. River and T. Whid Art Assoc.).

Preston Poe, the manager of the eGallery, stumbled upon the creative works of MTAA in New York City about two years ago. "Contemporary and electronic work are becoming more common," Poe said.

The exhibit "MTAA: 2 Live" incorporated video self-portraits produced by Whidden and Sarff, who have been working together since 1997.

"We're interested in the way people and groups communicate. We think about the difference in how people speak with text, songs, and words nonverbally. I

think it's why we started working with art on the Internet," Sarff said.

These video portraits reflect the media and its impact on society. Sarff and Whidden's new project was filmed in Salisbury's high definition studio and continually repeats Internet search terms that anonymous web users searched on the Web site Dogpile.

"This 'dual conversation' aspect of our work is what we hope to highlight in this show. We call them self-portraits because in an art history context, that's what they look like. Although it's us performing, they tend to be less about us and more about the conflicts, needs, fears and desires everyone seems to have," Sarff said.

Another project titled "Karaoke Death Match 100" is also available for viewing. This project was inspired by the 2005 karaoke

competition that Sarff and Whidden performed in. They battled for 50 rounds of alcohol-fueled sing-along fury for a total of 100 karaoke videos. Originally posted online, Internet users could vote on each round, and crown their karaoke king.

Other projects include "Stills From the Interview," "Our Political Work," and "Infinite Smile." MTAA will also host a reception on Sept. 25 on how to draw vernacular aliens. "Everyone kind of has an idea of what aliens look like. We will try to get a bunch of people to draw one or two together," Sarff said.

Although MTAA's digital artwork is available until Oct. 23, Salisbury's eGallery has more upcoming events. All students and public can stop by the eGallery Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 4 p.m.

Shogun restaurant delivers budget-friendly flavors

By Michael Piorunski and Robert Cogdell III
Staff Writers

Less than a year ago, Shogun restaurant was the nondescript building on Eastern Shore Drive, across the street from the Super Fresh shopping center, with the sign reading "Bulgogi" and "Spicy Tofu." For those who are not connoisseurs of Korean cuisine, the word Bulgogi (a Korean barbecue dish) might have been enough to leave you a bit chary. If this did not send you looking for another Asian restaurant, the words 'spicy' and 'tofu' probably did the trick.

Jack is the new owner of Shogun restaurant, and he wants to revise this mostly carry-out location. Jack and his family also own a Chinese restaurant in Cambridge. Since Jack invested in Shogun in early August, he has adopted an updated menu with prices amiable to the college population. The Japanese influenced artwork and bamboo greenery are also new features.

Shogun's menu now consists of Japanese cuisine including sushi, sashimi and hibachi-grilled meats. Appetizers range in price from \$1.50 to \$7.50 and include options like steamed edamame (\$3), gyoza dumplings (\$5) and octopus salad (\$6.50).

For fans of sushi, Shogun offers 48 types of rolls including raw, cooked, vegetarian, and vegan offerings. You can also substitute soy paper in place of the standard nori. The price of rolls ranges from \$5.00 to \$11.00, with most averaging around \$6.00.



Shogun Japanese restaurant is located at 1025 Eastern Shore Drive in Salisbury, offers student-friendly prices. It is under new management.

Shogun's menu also features the maki roll combo which includes your choice of two of 18 maki rolls, served with the standard offering of wasabi and beni-shoga for \$7.00. Single maki rolls may be ordered a la carte as well as with several offerings of sashimi.

Beef, chicken, and shrimp dishes come hot off the hibachi grill in either lunch or dinner portions ranging from \$5.50 to \$9.00.

On a recent visit to Shogun, we sampled several varieties of maki rolls. The avocado, cucumber, and tuna rolls were fresh in flavor. However, the texture of the spicy mayo sauce served with the rolls was unusual, and the

spice was mild. The soy paper in place of nori does not contribute much to flavor, but it does satisfy vegans and those looking for variety.

Service is fast, friendly, and willing to receive any questions. The prices are very reasonable for a college budget, and the portions are very fair. Jack says that Shogun will soon begin to offer discounts to students with their GullCard, and he likes the idea of payment by GullCard for the near future.

The food at Shogun is good but not exactly memorable. If you are looking for a budget-friendly break from the Commons or a meal out with friends, Shogun is simpatico.

Students learn about expanding college experience with study abroad

By Rachael Stone
Staff Writer

Last Friday, students visited Holloway Hall to learn about studying abroad in 2010. Salisbury University-sponsored programs and representatives from SU-approved affiliated organizations were available to speak with students about their international programs.

The Center for International Education at Salisbury provides four ways to study abroad. These include short-term, faculty-led international programs during inter-session and summer sessions, semester and year exchange agreements, affiliate programs with one of SU's seven international study abroad affiliates, and participation in a non-affiliate international program.

Aside from SU's study abroad tables, representatives from Austri Learn and Academic Programs International assisted students by answering questions and informing them about programs offered. They also explained why to study abroad and why to choose their

program.

According to representative Jeremy Johnson of Academic Programs International, there are two misconceptions about studying abroad.

"Most students assume the program doesn't offer something for their major or that they cannot afford it," Johnson said.

While there are programs specific to certain majors, independent study abroad programs are not limited to any major.

"You can mix and match classes if you want," Johnson said.

The costs to study abroad also depend on where you decide to study.

"Summer terms are obviously going to be cheaper than a whole year of international education, and Latin American countries are generally more affordable," Johnson said.

For students with lower budgets, scholarships and financial aid options are available through the Salisbury University Center for International Education (SUCIE) Web site.

The Communication Arts Depart-

ment chair and associate professor Cynthia Cooper shared information with students on 2010 winter semester programs, specifically communication and culture and identity in Scotland.

Cooper also encourages non-communication arts majors to look into these opportunities.

"We've had nursing, international studies, English, and even athletic training majors come along with us. There are a lot of individual workshops students can attend that pertain to their interest, and assignments are written to accommodate students," Cooper said.

Representatives from all programs agreed that international experience is really beneficial for students. Tim O'Branski from the Center of International Education shared why students should study abroad.

"The best part about studying abroad is getting to see humans interact in a different way. You learn a different kind of knowledge and gain experience that you can't do inside the classroom," O'Branski said.

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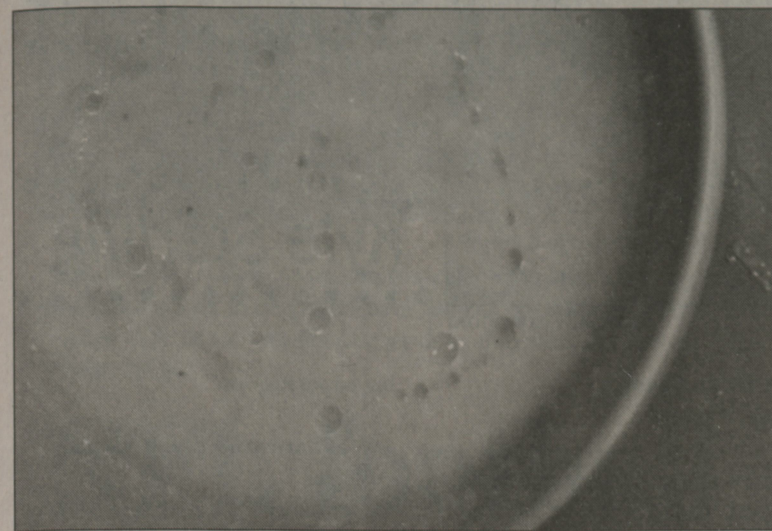
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Watermelon Gazpacho

By Michael Piorunski
Staff Writer

When I think of summers here on the Eastern Shore, a few of my favorite things come to mind. Other than beach-going girls showing a lot of skin, I think of big juicy 'lopes and watermelons, as well as plump tomatoes in an assortment of varieties and colors. To my misfortune though, I spent the better part of my summer in Baltimore cooking in a Charles Village eatery, not indulging in the Eastern Shore's delicious melons.

Baltimore, on the other hand, is home to one of the most extensive (if not the best) weekly farmer's markets in the state, where an impressive assortment of delectable heirloom tomatoes were at my disposal. These in-

evitable heirlooms inspired a summer of tomato-centric creations with influences spanning the globe. These included everything from spicy salsas to bruschetta, fresh sauce for homemade pizza and the simple yet flavorful tomato, mozzarella and basil sandwich. This week's recipe is my way of celebrating my return to the Shore, combining two of her most flavorful offerings: tomatoes and watermelon.

Gazpacho is a traditional Spanish tomato soup, served chilled, with a piece of bread and finished with a touch of good quality olive oil. This riff off the traditional gazpacho preparation, with a generous addition of watermelon, is a bit unlikely, but it achieves a quite delicious and balanced flavor. It's a perfect way to end these last few days of summer.

Gazpacho Sandia (serves 4+)
2 lbs very ripe tomatoes, preferably heirloom varieties
3-4 cups watermelon, cut in chunks
1/2 cucumber, diced (optional)
1/2 cup red onion, diced (optional)
1/2 cup extra virgin olive oil, use good quality
1/4 red wine (merlot or pinot noir are ok)
1/4 cup balsamic vinegar (optional)
2-3 cloves of garlic, chopped
Salt and pepper to taste
Dash of Tabasco sauce (optional)
Pinch of Old Bay (we're in Maryland)
Method:
1. Wash tomatoes and watermelon (if using whole) and chop each into chunks. Add watermelon into a standard blender in two batches, blend to a puree.

Place puree in a pitcher, which will also serve as the storage container for the finished gazpacho.
2. Heat 1/4 cup of olive oil in a medium saute pan. When hot, add half of the tomatoes, a pinch of the chopped garlic, salt, pepper and onion. After about three minutes, add the red wine and balsamic vinegar (if using it) and let simmer. Use a wooden spoon or spatula to break up tomato chunks a bit. Remove from heat after about seven to nine minutes; the tomatoes should be very soft, with skins peeling back a bit. Let cool and add to pitcher.
3. Next, add remaining tomatoes to blender along with remaining olive oil, garlic, salt and pepper; blend in pulses until mixture is emulsified, but a bit chunky. Place tomato puree in pitcher along with cucumber. Mix thoroughly, add salt, Tabasco and Old Bay to taste, and serve with a bit of olive oil drizzled over top.

Unordinarily — S(h)ane

By Shane Hill
Staff Writer

Someone once sang that love is battlefield, and their battle cry lives on in infancy. Disregarding common war practices, the battlefield of love is often full of unwritten rules, guerrilla warfare, and emotional weaponry. As a former emotional POW, I've often wondered how to prevent heart break and sadly there's no bullet proof method. There are however noticeable patterns that can be observed to aid in battle.* These three profiles give light to the most notorious of all enemies and should be regarded as hostile potential heartbreakers!

The Parasite: This person's greatest weapon is their ability to get under your skin, ultimately sucking

the life out of you. This person both takes and demands more resources from you than they are willing to give. If any attempts to rectify this unbalanced relationship fail, it may be time to retreat. Otherwise, you'll find yourself trading 110 percent of yourself for less of what they're contributing. Verdict: time for a trading embargo.

The Kamikaze: If misery loves company then this person will certainly try to bring you down as well. You'll find this person's greatest weapon is your commitment. They bank on the fact that if they jump you jump and manipulate your feelings and pressure you into doing things they do that are either unhealthy or things you don't want to. When the pie hits the fan they'll expect you to take the plunge with

When love is war

them now or later. Verdict: bail now and if you're in too deep, call for backup.

The Wavering Ally: They say to keep your friends close and your enemies closer, yet this person lies somewhere in between. The signs given may indicate that they want more from the relationship, but are flimsy and unreliable at best. It may be safe to keep this person at a friendship level, yet realize that drama is a time bomb waiting to go off the minute you misinterpret a sign and request to be more than just friends. Verdict: Keep your Heartland Security Advisory System at high or orange.

*Counseling Services is one of the best Allies and reinforcement you can have no matter how long you've been in the fight!

Weekly — Greek — News

Assessment Awards Ceremony

By Lindsey Van Coutren
Graduate Assistant for Greek Life

The second annual Salisbury University Greek Assessment Awards Ceremony kicked off another semester honoring the Greek community for all their hard work and dedication during 2008 through 2009. Dean of Students Ed Cowell helped remind the Greeks that this is just the beginning of another great year.

The New Student Activities Director Jennifer Blackwell opened the night by giving thanks to everyone for all their hard work to make this year's ceremony another success.



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Sisters of Zeta Tau Alpha, who were the Alpha Chapter Sigma winners this year, gather with their plaques.

The Alpha Chapter Sigma winners this year were Alpha Epsilon and Zeta Tau Alpha. Beta Chapter winners were Alpha Sigma Tau and Phi Mu, and Gamma Chapter winners were Delta Gamma and Sigma Pi.

SUGAP is based on a scale with Alpha being the highest followed by Beta and Gamma. The greatest award of the night, Chapter of the Year, went to Zeta Tau Alpha for exceptional leadership development, recruiting, chapter operations, and alumni relations from their 2008-2009 year.

"I'm really proud of all members of my chapters and all the time and

effort they have put in to make our chapter what it is today. To make a chapter work everyone needs to work together and pitch in," said Samantha Rohlander, President of Zeta Tau Alpha.

The Greeks will continue working on their philanthropies, chapter operations, as well as relations with Greeks and Non-Greeks this semester.

"It was amazing to see all the Greeks come together at the beginning of the semester to celebrate each other's accomplishments, and I can't wait to see the great things they will be involved in this year," Blackwell said.

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Women's soccer ties Lynchburg in double OT, scoreless game



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Sophomore forward Sarah Jessilonis fights for control against Lynchburg senior defender Katelyn LeRiche. The Sea Gulls and the Hornets tied 0-0 in double overtime.

By Sarah Duffy
Staff Writer

The Salisbury women's soccer team went into double overtime with Lynchburg College on Sunday and ended the game in a scoreless tie.

The Sea Gulls (2-1-1) and Hornets (2-1-1) went into the game evenly matched, each with a 2-1 record, and came out with the first tie of the season.

The match-up was originally scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 12, but was postponed due to the passing of Lynchburg's former men's soccer head coach, William Shellenberger.

SU was outshot in the game 21-10, giving freshman Melissa Orgera plenty of practice in the goal. She has recorded three consecutive shutouts during her first games as a member of the team.

"I'm confident with my defense in front of me," said Orgera, who played in goal the entire game and made 10 saves on the day. Orgera has a .947 save percentage this season.

Two defenders that helped continue Orgera's shutout streak were senior Colleen Galligan and junior Corrin Marrazzo. During the second half, Marrazzo took on the role of goalie by stepping in for the save when the ball slipped by Orgera, almost putting the first mark on the scoreboard.

During the same half, sophomore forward Sarah Jessilonis, assisted by sophomore defender Kira Mangone, charged the Hornets' goal but overshot the open net, sailing the ball over the goal, still leaving the game scoreless. Jessilonis has one goal and two points in four games this season. Despite the beautiful weather, tensions were high as the teams played a very physical match — the game saw 16 Salisbury fouls.

The battle on the field came with no surprise for head coach Jim Nestor.

"We knew they were very skilled," Nestor said.

Seniors Hillary Grove and Christina Eury, juniors Sarah Koenig and Brenna Stuhler, and

sophomores Danielle Crowley and Mara Hauf also all had a very strong game. Stuhler, who has a .667 shots-on-goal percentage, and Eury have combined for six points this season.

The Gulls beat both Guilford and Methodist in the SU Classic earlier this month after opening their season with a loss to Virginia Wesleyan.

Next on the schedule is a home game against Rowan University on Wednesday, Sept. 16, at 4:30 p.m., followed by the team's first conference game of the season at rival Stevenson University on Saturday, Sept. 19. Nestor said that both games will be tough.

"Rowan is always a battle, and Stevenson has come down to one goal the past two or three years," Nestor said. In fact, last season Salisbury tied Stevenson 0-0. SU is 2-2 against Rowan in their last four meetings. Nestor says he has high expectations for the team and hopes to compete for the CAC championship this season.

Nine seniors will lead the men's soccer team this season including recent tournament MVP and CAC

Player of the Week Justin McGrath. "We would like to go further in the NCAA tournament than we have in the past," said DiBartolo of his team's tournament goals for this season.

No. 6 ranked field hockey (4-0, 2-0 CAC) recently beat No. 14 Christopher Newport 2-1. Senior forward and Sea Gull of the week Beverly Badalino leads the team in points so far this year with 12 (5 goals, 2 assists).

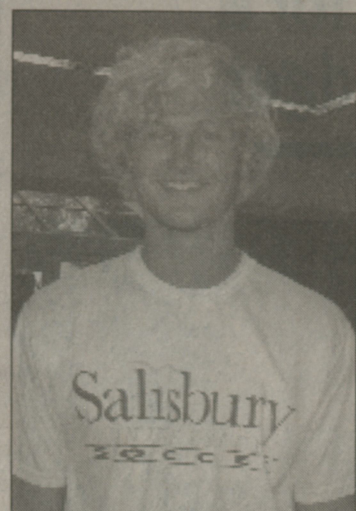
Women's soccer (2-1), which won the CAC championship in 2007, has outscored opponents 5-1 so far this year. Junior midfielder Brenna Stuhler

leads the team with 2 goals.

Volleyball (3-1) has beaten three of four opponents this year in straight sets. Senior Rachel Downes, who leads the team with 40 kills, was chosen for the Battlefield Classic All-Tournament team and was named CAC Volleyball Player of the Week.

On Wednesday, field hockey hosts Johns Hopkins at 6 p.m. while women's soccer hosts Rowan University at 4:30 p.m. and volleyball faces York at 7 p.m. On Saturday afternoon the football team will battle Christopher Newport at 1 p.m. in Virginia.

Drama and excitement appear to be the theme of NFC West, with players like Adrian Peterson, Aaron Rodgers, and the Chicago Bears' Devin Hester. Outside of the Detroit Lions' quest to win a game this season, many are anticipating Brett Favre and the Minnesota Vikings' match-up against



Telecia Taylor photo

By Brian Lomax
Staff Writer

This week's Athlete Spotlight is none other than senior All-American midfielder Kyle Sterling. The Salisbury, Md. native led the Sea Gull men's soccer team with 25 points last season, including 10 goals and five assists. Already with three goals and one assist (seven points) this season, Sterling returns hoping to lead the Gulls to even bigger results and trophies. He recently sat down with *The Flyer* and answered a few questions.

What are you looking forward to most this season and what are your goals for the season?
"Being a senior. We won back-to-back conference titles and now we're looking to win nationals. I don't think there is anyone on the team that thinks we can't do it."

Who would you say your biggest rival is?
"York [College] (PA). They are a conference rival, and they've been a top five team the past five years. Everyone circles that game on the calendar. If you can't get up for that game, I don't know what to tell you."

Who is your favorite professional player and club?
"Fernando Torres, a striker who plays for Liverpool Football Club. My favorite club team is Manchester United FC."

Do you have any superstitions or rituals that you have to do before a game?
"Nothing crazy, really. I try to eat a good breakfast or lunch. Nothing superstitious."

Athlete Spotlight

Kyle Sterling

ing superstitious."

What are your plans after college?
"After college, I'd like to live a normal life. I'm pretty into golf. Adam Scott is my favorite golfer. I like his style, he's a ladies man, and a good striker of the ball."

Favorite song to warm up to?
"I would say its Lil Wayne Featuring Gucci Mane — We Be Steady Mobbin. He's my favorite artist. I jumped on him when 'The Carter' came out."

Have you thought about playing professionally in the United States or Europe?
"I looked into NPSL with senior goalkeeper Greg Wellinghoff, so I've definitely thought about it. It's all about who you know, really, it's either that or a normal life."

What other sports are you interested in?
"I am a huge fan of every sport. I won a state championship in baseball and a state title in basketball."

How long have you been playing soccer?
"I've been playing my entire life, ever since I was six years old and playing squirts."

What would you tell anyone who wants to get to where you are right now?
"I would tell them that it's a lot more mental than people think. Granted, you have to work hard in the off season, but confidence is the number one thing. It's 90 percent mental, 10 percent talent."



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Ravens wide receiver Mark Clayton celebrates after catching a 31-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Joe Flacco. Baltimore set a team record with 501 total offensive yards as they beat the Kansas City Chiefs 38-24.

NFL football season is finally here

By Tom Watson
Sports Editor

With week one of the NFL season underway, this season looks to be one for the ages.

The Tennessee Titans and the defending Super Bowl Champion Pittsburgh Steelers kicked off the season last Thursday in fighting fashion as Pittsburgh claimed a 13-10 overtime victory in a game that should be indicative of the 2009 NFL season.

With the return of Tom Brady as quarterback to the New England Patriots, the loss of Marvin Harrison from the Indianapolis Colts, and many more twists and turns in the off-season, the NFL playing field looks to be more even than it has been in years, with more than a few strong contenders in each division.

The Philadelphia Eagles made headlines after signing quarterback Michael Vick in August. Already in what many consider the toughest division in football, the Eagles will face the Washington Redskins, who beefed up their defense with the addition of defensive tackle Albert Haynesworth. The Dallas Cowboys and defending division champion New York Giants will make it a tough race to the top of the NFC East.

Drama and excitement appear to be the theme of NFC West, with players like Adrian Peterson, Aaron Rodgers, and the Chicago Bears' Devin Hester. Outside of the Detroit Lions' quest to win a game this season, many are anticipating Brett Favre and the Minnesota Vikings' match-up against

the Green Bay Packers.

With high-octane offenses in the Carolina Panthers, Atlanta Falcons, and New Orleans Saints, the NFC South should produce lots of exciting games.

Meanwhile, the Arizona Cardinals look to defend their division title against rejuvenated programs like the Seattle Seahawks and San Francisco 49ers.

Maryland's local team, the Baltimore Ravens, fresh off their AFC title game loss to division rival the Pittsburgh Steelers, enter this season with something to prove. With second-year quarterback Joe Flacco, a trio of talent in the running game and their historically strong defense, Baltimore looks to make another deep playoff run. The AFC North title looks again to be a battle between the Ravens and Steelers though as the Cleveland Browns and Cincinnati Bengals both come off four-win seasons a year ago.

A big story around the NFL this season could be the rise of the underdog. After the Arizona Cardinals amazing Super Bowl run in the 2008 playoffs, the stage is set for another big upset.

The Houston Texans, who have not finished a season above .500 since their inception in 2002, could be primed to make a run for the post-season with two young stars in Steve Slayton and Andre Johnson.

It is a season of questions. Will the Lions win a game? Will Chad Ochocinco's name change help his production? The 2009 NFL season has every opportunity to live up to the hype.

College football is back and better than ever

By Fred Hobbs
Staff Writer

College football is back in full effect with two explosive weeks of upsets to celebrate.

The first upset of the season came as No. 20 BYU took down Big-12 conference powerhouse No. 3 Oklahoma at the new Dallas Cowboys stadium. The game went south for the Sooners after a two-point conversion attempt by the Midshipmen was intercepted and returned by Buckeye linebacker Brian Rolle, preserving the win for OSU, 31-27.

After beating them at home last season, the Maryland Terrapins were blown out by No. 12 California 52-14, in a game dominated by Cal from start to finish.

At home in Blacksburg, No. 7 Virginia Tech lost a close game to No. 5 Alabama 34-24.

Week two brought redemption as Maryland, Florida State, Oklahoma, Navy, Virginia Tech and Illinois bounced back to earn their first wins of the season.

The big upset of week two came as little-known University of Houston went on the road to take on new No. 5 Oklahoma State. In a high scoring, back-and-

forth game, Houston handed the Cowboys their first loss of the season 45-35.

Two of college football's top programs historically, Michigan and No. 18 Notre Dame, matched up in Ann Arbor, Mich. on Saturday in a defining game for both teams. The game went down to final seconds before true freshman quarterback Tate Forcier threw a touchdown pass in the final seconds to give the Wolverines the 38-34, comeback victory.

However, the game of the week was No. 8 Ohio State hosting No. 3 USC in an epic battle of two perennial powerhouses. USC freshman quarterback Matt Barkley led a game-winning fourth quarter drive, capped off by a two-yard touchdown run by Stafon Johnson with only 1:05 left on the clock. This gave USC an 18-15 lead they would not relinquish, earning their second win of the season.

Things are already shaking up this college football season and the excitement looks to be continued in week three.

Sea Gulls are soaring so far this season

By Alexis Howard
Staff Writer

It is still early, but Salisbury fall sports are already off to a great start this season.

The No. 10 ranked men's cross country team placed first in the Towson Invitational while the women's team finished second overall. Junior Kristin Stromberg, who finished first for the Sea Gulls, and senior Travis Boccher were each recognized as the first men and women's CAC Cross Country Athletes of the Week of this season.

Sherman Wood's football team is ranked No. 24 in the D3football.com top 25 and kicker Tommy Kowalik was named ACFC Special Teams Player of the Week.

SU football (1-1) has been ranked by D3football.com since 2004, when they were ranked No. 5. Wood says his team feels honored to be nationally ranked because they have worked very hard to earn that kind of respect.

"Our short-term goal is to win each game and the ACFC Conference. The next goal is to reach the national playoffs to compete for a na-

tional championship," said Wood. Also nationally ranked is the men's soccer team (4-0), which is ranked No. 13 by the NSCAA Top 25 poll.

"There are good and bad things about being nationally ranked. The good part is that we get recognized by our peers. The bad part is that because we are nationally ranked, opposing teams always think of us as a big game. We have very high standards by being a top 25 team," DiBartolo said.

Nine seniors will lead the men's soccer team this season including recent tournament MVP and CAC

What a wild week it was at the U.S. Open

By Therran Dennis
Staff Writer

It has been an interesting two weeks at the Women's U.S. Open Championship.

American Serena Williams, the reigning U.S. Open women's champion, fell short of victory in the women's semifinals Saturday against Belgium's Kim Clijsters (4-6, 5-7) in a very controversial match.

Williams lost a point due to an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty after reportedly threatening to shove a tennis ball down the lineswoman's throat. The point-penalty awarded to Williams happened to be on match point and Clijsters moved on to the finals.

In the women's final on Sunday night Clijsters made history. After a two-year break from tennis to get married and give birth to her

daughter, Jada, now 18 months old, Clijsters defeated No. 9 Caroline Wozniacki 7-5, 6-3.

With the victory, Clijsters, who had missed the last 10 major tournaments, becomes the first unseeded woman to ever win a U.S. Open title. She is also the first mother to win a Grand Slam title since 1980. On the way to the finals, Clijsters defeated both Williams sisters, two of the top women players in the game, before defeating the 19-year-old Wozniacki to win her second U.S. Open championship — the first was in 2005.

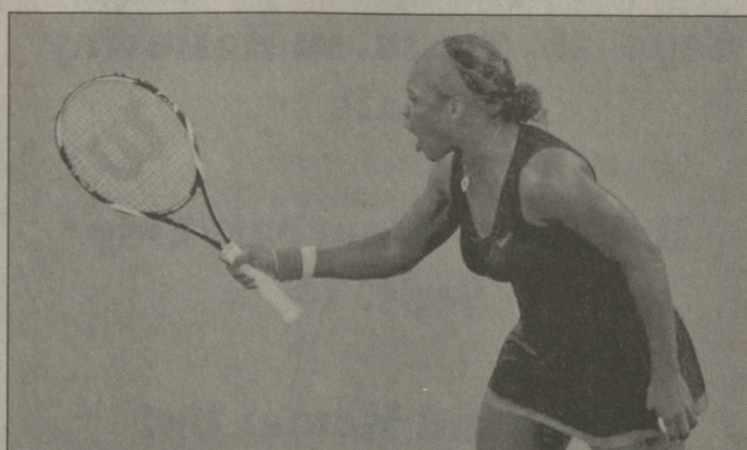
Wozniacki led the first set 4-2 before Clijsters held off two break points to tie the match 5-5 and then broke Wozniacki for the fourth time to win the set. Clijsters, who spent the hours before the game watching "Ice Age" with her daughter, had 26 more winners in

the match than Wozniacki and two more winners than unforced errors (36-34).

On the men's side, American Andy Roddick failed to follow up his epic five-set performance against world No. 1 Roger Federer at Wimbledon. The 2003 U.S. Open men's champion was knocked out in the third round of the tournament in a five-set loss to fellow American John Isner, 7-6(3), 6-3, 3-6, 5-7, 7-6(5).

Spanish sensation Rafael Nadal, the third-seed in the U.S. Open, failed to make it back to the finals, falling to No. 6 Juan Martin del Potro 6-2, 6-2, 6-2, the worst loss Nadal has suffered in a major tournament. This is the first Grand Slam final appearance of del Potro's career.

In the finals of the men's doubles tournament, the No. 4 team of



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Serena Williams argues with a lineswoman over a foot fault penalty in the semifinals of the women's U.S. Open. Williams would lose to eventual champion Kim Clijsters (4-6, 5-7).

Lukas Dlouhy and Leander Paes defeated No. 3 Mahesh Bhupathi and Mark Knowles 3-6, 6-3, 6-2. Dlouhy and Paes knocked out top-seed Americans Bob and Mike

Bryan. In the mixed doubles bracket, Americans Carly Gullickson and Travis Parrott defeated No. 2 Cara Black and Leander Paes 6-2, 6-4.

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Field hockey shuts out No. 3 Ursinus College



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Salisbury controlled the ball against Frostburg State on Saturday, the first day of the SU Invitational. The Gulls would go on to beat Frostburg 8-0 and beat Ursinus 2-0 to win the invitational.

By Tom Watson
Sports Editor

The No. 6 ranked Salisbury University field hockey team (5-0, 2-0 CAC) shut out No. 3 Ursinus Col-

lege (3-2) in front of a crowd 250 strong on Sunday afternoon to win the SU Invitational. The first half of the game was highly competitive and scoreless as the teams headed into the locker

room notched at 0-0. To start the second half, junior midfielder Kandice Hancock scored a goal off a penalty stroke, her fourth goal of the season, to put the Gulls up by a score. Then,

in the 59th minute, senior forward Lauren Correll, who is second on the team in points with 11, put the game away with an unassisted goal. In front of the net, sophomore goalie Anna Cooke (5-0) tallied nine saves compared to Bears' goalie Erica Scott's (3-2) three. Both SU and Ursinus took 13 shots on the day, with 11 shots on goal for the Bears and six for the Sea Gulls. This was the first meeting between Salisbury and Ursinus since the Gulls defeated the Bears 3-0 in the 2005 NCAA semifinals. This is the first time the Bears have been shut out in the regular season since 2003. To open the invitational on Saturday, the Sea Gulls also shut out Frostburg State (2-2) by winning 8-0 and claimed their fourth shutout of the season. Junior midfielder Courtney Webster led Salisbury as she tallied a career-high three goals, scoring the first goal of the game. Fifteen minutes later the lead increased to two when freshman midfielder Kristina Fusco scored. Over the next two minutes, SU

scored three times to open their lead to five with goals from sophomore forward Allison Bloodsworth, Fusco and Webster. Webster then netted her third goal of the game in the first minute of the second half, picking up right where she and the Sea Gulls left off. Freshman midfielder Caitlin Ruffus and freshman back Katie Matteo capped off the Gulls scoring, each with a goal in the second half. So far this season Salisbury has outshot their opponents 113-27 and the team has allowed just one goal, coming at the hands of No. 14 Christopher Newport University, to Salisbury's 30. The Sea Gulls average 6.00 goals per game. SU now enters a three game home stand where they will face No. 11 Johns Hopkins University at 6 p.m. on Wednesday night, Messiah College on Sept. 19 at 1 p.m. and Rowan University Sept. 23 at 6 p.m. before going on the road for five straight games. Salisbury will not return to Sea Gull Stadium until Oct. 20 when they face CAC rival Stevenson University.

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Football
The No. 23 ranked football team (1-1) was handed its first loss of the season as they fell 24-17 to the North Carolina Wesleyan Bishops on Saturday. Quarterback Bobby Sheahin ran for 88 yards and threw for another 74 yards as Salisbury amassed 292 yards of total offense. Senior defensive back Brandon Hudson led the defense with a game-high nine tackles. A field goal late in the second quarter tied the game at 10 going into the half, but N.C. Wesleyan scored twice starting the second half to lead 24-10. SU had three turnovers including a fumble on the one-yard line late in the fourth quarter on a drive that would have tied the game.

Cross Country
The No. 10 ranked men's cross country team finished first overall and the women's team finished second in the Towson Invitational on Saturday morning. Sophomore Trevor Keen led the Sea Gulls, finishing in 28:57. Keen was followed by junior Chris Barnard (29:01), senior Karl Bickel (29:07), junior Ryan Shifler (29:08), and senior Travis Boccher (29:13). The women's team was headed by junior Kristin Stromberg, finishing in 20:47 and ninth place overall. Sophomore Becca Stinner finished in 21:22, junior Masha Berge finished in 21:27, sophomore Emily Powell in 21:51, and junior Jennifer Muscemi rounded out the top five in 21:58.

Volleyball
The volleyball team (7-1) earned two victories on the first day of the Washington & Jeffer-

son Tournament with 3-0 victories against Thiel College and Penn State-Altoona. Senior Rachel Downes had nine kills, nine digs, and three service aces in two games and junior outside hitter Lexy Fitzkee contributed with 10 kills and six digs. On the second day of tournament play Salisbury rolled early, beating St. Vincent in convincing fashion 3-0. SU advanced to the finals to face Muskingum Sunday afternoon and continued their winning streak, beating Muskingum three sets to one, making the Sea Gulls winners of the Washington & Jefferson Tournament.

Men's Soccer
The men's soccer team (5-0) defeated Bridgewater College 9-0 and Randolph-Macon 7-1 to win the Capital Athletic Conference/Old Dominion Athletic Conference Challenge. In the first game, eight different Sea Gulls scored, led by sophomore forward Ian Wilson with two goals. Salisbury got on the board early when junior defender Casey Rector headed the ball into the back of the net off a cross from senior Nick Malone. Junior forwards Ben Delisle and Chris Finney, freshman forward Adrian Tombini, and Malone each netted a goal and an assist in the game. Against Randolph-Macon, junior defender Justin Lambert scored first off a free kick by senior midfielder Alex Hargrove as SU out-shot the Yellow Jackets 31-5. However, in the 42nd minute, Randolph-Macon's Drew Carson scored to make it 2-1. It was the first goal Salisbury has allowed all season.

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SALISBURY SPORTS CALENDAR

Tuesday- 9/15	Wednesday-9/16	Thursday-9/17	Friday-9/18	Saturday-9/19	Sunday-9/20	Monday-9/21
	4:30 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Rowan University 4:30 p.m. Men's Soccer at Gallaudet 6 p.m. Field Hockey vs. Johns Hopkins		TBA Volleyball vs. SU Invitational	1 p.m. Football at Christopher Newport 1 p.m. Field Hockey vs. Messiah College 2:30 p.m. Women's Soccer at Stevenson University TBA Volleyball vs. SU Invitational	1 p.m. Men's Soccer at Roanoke College	